

Washington Stage Set For First Big Football Games of Season Tomorrow

FOOTBALL SEASON GETS FINE START ON LOCAL FIELDS

Catholic University and Maryland Aggies Open Up, While Georgetown Plays.

SCHOOLBOYS ARE ACTIVE

Gallaudet Takes Trip to Lexington to Meet the Virginia Military Institute.

By BRYAN MORSE.

Even though the world's series is claiming the bulk of the attention of baseball fans here the local football follower of Washington is finding himself stocked with attractions tomorrow calculated to please in every way. Three really great football teams will be seen in action here tomorrow when Georgetown, Catholic University, and the Maryland Aggies begin their conflicts.

The first big game of the season for Washington followers is that between Catholic University and the Maryland Agricultural College. Coach Byrd's team is rated as the best ever turned out at the Maryland Institution. The Catholic University coach is the man who taught Byrd his football while he handled the George Washington football team in 1908.

Since that time Byrd has gone from success to success, and tomorrow hopes to be able to add one more to his list and demonstrate to his former mentor that there is something in evolution, after all. Catholic University scrimmaged against the Navy some time ago, came off with flying colors, and proved conclusively that the team is to be reckoned with. The Aggies got in an easy game against the Baltimore Polys two weeks ago, took a 4-0 defeat last week from Haverford on a wet field, but are now ready for the fight of their lives.

The Brooklands will start as follows: Ahern, left end; Kerr, left tackle; Dunning, left guard; Murphy, center; Costello, right guard; Shortley, right tackle; Wall, right end; Shortley, quarterback; J. Butler, left halfback; W. Butler, right halfback; and Greer fullback.

Coach Byrd will probably have every available player in the line-up before the final whistle is blown.

Georgetown has gotten ready for the game. Coach Eschmider has given the Blue and Gray players a deal of work in the last two days anticipating a tough game from the sailors. Straight football has been employed by the Hill-toppers in the games against Princeton and the Navy in the last two starts, but tomorrow they will play a more varied assortment of forward passes.

The wet field may cut a decided figure in the result of tomorrow's game. The visiting eleven will be heavy and fast, and Georgetown may find itself up against a tougher proposition than is expected. Dempsey and Leighty may remain on the sidelines tomorrow. Coach Eschmider wants both players to recover fully.

Cusack and Corcoran will probably be on the ends. Dorman and Ward in the tackles. Barron and Mahlum in the guards. McNamara and Maloney in the quarterback job during the fray with Gilroy, Wall, and Finn or Haney in the backfield. Washington followers are likely to be surprised in Gilroy, who has been playing such a sensational game. If Harry Costello proved such a hero Gilroy will have a big bunch rooting for him, as he is just such a player as Costello when he first broke into the limelight.

The high schools have booked many games for tomorrow. At the Georgetown-Merced game the Tech team will stack up against the Georgetown Freshmen. It will mark the first appearance of "Country" Morris as coach at Tech.

Central is meeting the Navy phobes tomorrow at Annapolis, and has high hopes of coming home a winner. The Central eleven went in against a heavy team last week at Toms, and, while beaten, showed up well. Western is meeting Episcopal High School tomorrow with a weakened team. Peck and Bridget, in the backfield, will be out of the game, while Rohrer, an end, is also out of commission.

Business is looking brightly at the Poolville, Md. Bill Culligan having gotten his veterans to the point where they are anxious to try their skill at the toe.

Wayne Hart, Gallaudet's coach, is taking his eleven to Lexington, Va., to meet the Virginia Military Institute. Last year, under Fred Crafts, the Kendall Greeners stood off the cadets at a 6-0 score, losing the toughest of battles.

World Series Sidelights

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 8.—Several things are going to the bad, if they ever play this world's series between the Red Sox and the Philying Phils. The first thing is the ever-present speculator. The second is the always-with-us argument that there must be a perfectly green wall in center field to assist the batter.

Right now it looks as if wet grounds, lashed by a drizzle, might postpone the opening of this year's series, but if they ever get at it, there should be lots of fun afterward talking about the speculator, and that necessary green wall. Let's take a peek at these two pests.

The speculators in this town had a merry time yesterday. It was a horde that swarmed around the Bellevue-Stratford yesterday afternoon and early evening. In the pouring rain they haunted the various entrances, howling "baseball tickets, buy 'em!" If you asked them how much they charged for their tickets, they promptly came back, "Forty dollars for three in the front row. Any to sell?" And right there seems to come the hitch. The speculators don't seem to be getting off any too well this season. President Baker has their number.

The streets of this quiet town are filled with these fakers, all shouting that they have tickets to sell. A conservative estimate is that less than 300 tickets have fallen into the hands of the speculators. But how, how they are to get them? John Tenor or Joe Jackson, or any other name, if you don't happen to know Garry Herrmann, Dan Johnson, John Tenor or Joe Jackson, you may also pay \$25 or \$30 for three seats. If you wear a red cross badge, dozens of these sharks surround you, offering fabulous sums for your most excellent seats in the reserved press section.

But when you come down to brass tacks, you'll find that the speculators are trying to buy tickets, not sell them. They have been short-changed by Bill Baker.

Now for this center field stuff. In 1913 the Giants, then in a fight for the pennant with the Phillies under Charlie Root, had a horrible story because one day the local club put a lot of common people in the center field bleachers. The Giants claimed that white shirts and waving score cards interfered with their batting lamps. Umpire Brennan, now with the Federal League, declared the game forfeited when the Phillies' gentlemen thugs declined to continue the afternoon's entertainment. As soon as John Tenor came in as boss of the National League, he bounced Bill Brennan. But the forfeited game had to be settled and the one red cross badge of that game was played off, making a record in baseball.

Over at the Aldine, headquarters of the American League, Bill Brennan is laughing at the tales told him of this center field bleachers. So do Tris Speaker, Forrest Cady, Babe Ruth, Harry Hooper, and they all agree that those Red Sox. But "way out at the Majestic, where most of the Phillies are living, a different story is told. The Phillies admit that waving score cards may interfere with the stickwork of the home boys.

That band of maniacs, the "Royal Rooters" of Boston, who, since this morning from New York, have paraded from the station to their hotel behind their own private band. In the lead was Jack Killen, demon leader of the rooters, and Johnny Fitzgerald, once a mayor of old Boston town and now retired, to lead the "Royal Rooters" into the haunts of the enemy.

Philadelphia doesn't take to these chaos from Boston. Four hundred Philly fans have lost a chance to see the games here because the "Royal Rooters" insisted on coming here and has the backing of Joe Lannan, owner of the Red Sox. Therefore, there were glum faces in the throng lining the curb and no cheering greeted the Bostonians. But that didn't bother them in the least. They sang and cheered and marched along in the army. Their banner read: "We have never followed a loser. Here's to the Red Sox, Champions for 1915."

Ed Walsh, secretary of the Washington club, is among those present. Walsh thinks, of course, that the American League is going to finish on top of the heap. Having said that, he wended his way, followed by kindred souls, to the palm room.

Bob Callahan, another Washingtonian is also here, looking large as life.

The coming of President Woodrow Wilson to the world's series is being made a particular worry by the Philadelphia club. He will be rushed from the station at North Philadelphia to a side entrance behind the third base section of the stand and shot with his attendants through a tunnel into a special set of boxes. It is impossible to state right now whether he will be expected to root for one side or the other. But if he is a wise man—and he has

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NEW YORK CLUBS TAKE FINAL GAMES

Victories Over Red Sox and Braves Make Them Tied in Percentage.

NEW YORK, Oct. 8.—The major league pennant races of 1915 are at an end. Aside from the world's series and the city championship events at Chicago and St. Louis there will be no more big league ball until next spring. If they accomplished nothing else during the year New York's two major league clubs at least had the honor yesterday of winning the last games of their respective organizations' regular seasons. The Yankees, playing at the Polo Grounds, beat the champion Red Sox, by a score of 4 to 3, and the Giants, in Boston, downed the former champion Braves by 15 to 8.

The closing victories made the two Manhattan clubs tied in games won and lost. Neither team had won more than five games because it landed fifth place, whereas the Giants were last. But the National League partisans make the point that their pride are closer to the pennant winner in percentage, being only .138 back of the Phillies, whereas the Red Sox beat the Yankees by a margin of .215. Some followers of the rival teams have decided to let their differences be settled by the year. Taft played consistently, and the clubs at Hartford this afternoon.

Taft Elected.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 8.—Charles Taft, left guard on Yale's championship basketball team of last season, has been elected to the captaincy for this year. Taft played consistently, and succeeds "Dutch" Arnold.

Santa Claus Or Rip Van Winkle?

JUDGE LANDIS ANNOUNCED HE WILL GIVE HIS FAMOUS DELAYED BASEBALL DECISION THIS CHRISTMAS.

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Pennant Prospects. FROM ALL INDICATIONS, CONNIE MACK WILL START NEXT YEAR'S PENNANT STRUGGLE WITH AS FINE A GRANDSTAND AS ANY MANAGER IN THE LEAGUE.

Luis de La Rosa, the notorious Mexican bandit, is again at large, which indicates that the ticket scalpers will have one more capable recruit added to their ranks.

A crowd of 50,000 people saw an amateur baseball game in Cleveland on Saturday, which should make those Cleveland amateurs the highest paid amateurs in the country.

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The Yale crew will again be coached by Nickalls. Judging by his cognomen, Nickalls should coach the eleven.

If you want to be absolutely sure of winning money on the world's series, bet that another slide occurs in the Panama canal.

After a careful survey of Boston's and Philadelphia's chances for the world series title, we are convinced that we had some beautiful weather in September.

Place—Philadelphia. Time—2 o'clock. Weather outlook—Unsettled. Umpires—National League, Klem and Rigler; American League, O'Loughlin and Evans.

Virginia Eleven Will Try for Record Score

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Oct. 8.—Virginia's football team will try for a record against Richmond College tomorrow in the battle scheduled here. All of the stars will be in the line-up and the score of 62 to 0 registered last year will be aimed at.

Prince Yancey, a 170-pounder, and cousin of Kemper Yancey, Virginia's captain in 1905, came out yesterday. He is a powerful player and may make good before the season ends. Scrimmage and signal practice was held yesterday despite the wet field.

Erratic Battle Won By New York Giants

BOSTON, Oct. 8.—The Giants won a 15-to-8 battle from the Braves here yesterday in the most erratic of performances. The Giants got twenty-four hits, fattening averages off Davis, who performed throughout the agony.

Most of the players were listless, and while the Braves got seven hits, they failed to make them count.

First Game Facts

Probable line-up. PHILA. BOSTON. Stock, 3b. Hooper, rf. Bancroft, ss. Scott, ss. Paskert, cf. Speaker, cf. Cravath, rf. Hobitzell, lb. Luderus, lb. Lewis, lf. Whitted, lf. Gardner, 3b. Nichoff, 2b. Barry, 2b. Burns, c. Cady, c. Alexander, p. Shore, p.

Place—Philadelphia. Time—2 o'clock. Weather outlook—Unsettled. Umpires—National League, Klem and Rigler; American League, O'Loughlin and Evans.

REORGANIZATION IS MADE BY MARINES

Changes Effectuated in Line-ups of Six Duckpin Teams in the League.

Secretary C. R. Snuggs, of the Marine Corps Duckpin League has found it necessary to effect some changes in the organization of the circuit. Games of October 4, 6, and 8 are postponed until later in the season, the acts rolled on October 4 and 6 being canceled.

The line-ups of the teams under the reorganization follow:

Cavities—Douglas, captain; Kenon, Baylis, Lippert, Draney, Cananacas—Mistead, captain; Sands, McVey, Hall, Narkle, Subbig—Henkle, captain; Snuggs, Shurtliff, Shaw, Harvey, Pollocks—E. C. Smith, captain; Roloff, Stroehlein, Thompson, Van Moss, Isabella—Lancaster, captain; Bentlie, Albright, Collins, K. H. Young, Ologapous—Dillon, captain; Driscoll, Pelletier, Burrall, Morgan.

Still Getting Coin.

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 8.—It was reported here today that Frank Gotch, who retired as wrestling champion with a fortune, has sold 1,000 acres of his Iowa farm for \$100,000. Gotch is regarded as one of Iowa's wealthiest citizens. He made most of his money on the mat.

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